

TAUNTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING February 26, 2015

Commissioners:

Fred Terra, Chairman

Bob Adams, Vice-Chairman William Manganiello (absent)

Jim Madigan

Burton Schriber (absent)

Charles Malo Jan Boboruzian

Airport Manager:

Dan Raposa

Treasurer:

Joe Lawlor (absent)

Recording Secretary:

Gwendolyn Borden

Airport Ground Services:

Ted Porada

Others in Attendance:

Jim Miklas: Airport Solutions Group

Paul Cormier: Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.

Mitch Buckley, Chris Hyldburg, Matt Borowski, John Greenlaw, Paul Gentile, Brian Wolfe and Dave Lemee: Alpha One Flight

School in Plymouth

Airport Tenants/Users: Doug Cooper, Jerry Field,

Mike Dupont, Melinda Paine-Dupont, Steve Proffetty, Luis

Gonzalez, Joe Denebrego, Steve Manchester, Charlie Pickett, Ken Gibson, Bob Steinenger, Steve Goldin, Dick Rodier, Dick Griffith,

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Commission Chairman Fred Terra

Fred reported that it has been a tough month for record breaking snow and he'd like to thank all the users of the airport for their patience. Fred noted that Dan and Ted have spent numerous hours plowing, they have been here before 8: a.m. and Saturdays and Sunday which they get no extra compensation for. On behalf of the commission Fred would like to extend his thanks and appreciation to Dan and Ted for their efforts during this difficult snow season. Fred would also like to thank Commissioner Jan who volunteers his time on the commission but also has volunteered numerous hours plowing snow at the airport. Fred also extends his thanks to Bill Frasier and Mike Dupont who have also given time away from their businesses to help out with the snow removal. It's nice that everyone has been coming together to help out and get through this.

Airport Engineers Projects Update – Jim Miklas reported on the status of projects they are working on. (See attached report for specifics) After Jim's report, Bob asks Jim to put together a Public Meeting Notice so he can post in different places. Jim will do.

Secretary's Report January 28, 2015. Jim: motions to accept as presented. Jan: seconds the motion. Discussion: none. All in favor: unanimous. So voted.

Treasurers' Report for January 2015 – Fred reported on airport finances in Joes' absence. INCOME of \$16,254.20 and EXPENSES of \$11,292.97 for a Positive Cash Flow of \$4,961.23. Jim: motions to accept the report subject to audit and authorize the processing of the bills for payment. Jan: seconds the motion. Discussion: none. All in favor: unanimous. So voted.

Fred reported on account balances in the General Ledger 25 Account of \$100,787.92 and the Grants Ledger 22 Account of \$31,477.67.

Airport Managers Report – Dan reported on the following:

- Fuel Survey The price of fuel has been going up. Our current fuel prices are as follows: \$5.14/gallon for cash sales, and \$5.30 gallon for credit card, checks and house accounts. Fuel sales have taken a big hit during the recent snow storms. Hopefully March will bring better weather and fuel sales.
- 2. Airside Inspections The airport is basically snow covered. We've been working around our lights and keeping the lights on so that the heat will help melt the snow around them. We've put out a NOTAM that some of the lights are obscured. We've been shutting down and plowing as needed. The fuel farm has been holding up and working okay during the cold weather. Rope is available for tie downs if anyone is in need of rope.

Old Business

- Dan reported that he has not received any further information from Valerie Fletcher on ADA Compliance.
- 2. Bob reported that he talked with Capt. Bastis of the Taunton Fire Department who informed him that state standards for jet fuel have changed drastically. Bob will be meeting with him next week and will be discussing the options that are available, but it sounds like there won't be many. Until Bob finds out more, he doesn't know where we stand.

New Business

1. LPV Requirement Criteria 3.0 to 3.1 – Jim Miklas informed the commission that the FAA has the survey information that the airport collected several years ago. The FAA did the analysis for the LPV on both ends of the runways and what they established is if you go with the 3° approach slope on both runway ends 12-30, you would have some pretty significant obstructions at either end which would not allow the establishment of the LPV unless the obstructions are removed. Some of the obstructions are in the state park others are on private property further out. So what they have recommended to do is raise the glide slope from 3° to

- 3.1° in which case we're able to clear those individual obstructions so that they can establish the approaches. So considering the FAA recommendations, ASG's recommendation is to move forward with the 3.1° glide slope.
- 2. Paul Cormier of Entergy Nuclear Operations addressed the commission requesting that the commission consider agreeing to an agreement with the Pilgrim Station to allow them to utilize a portion of the Taunton Municipal Airport as a staging area in the event of serious accident at the Pilgrim Nuclear Station. The purpose of the use of the property (approximately 40,000 to 50,000 s.f.) would be to store emergency equipment, generators, pumps, air compressors, hoses and fittings that will be flown in until it is needed at the Pilgrim Station. Ideally equipment would be flown into Greene Airport and trucked directly to the station, but if there were any road conditions that would delay the equipment being trucked, Entergy/Pilgrim is required to have 2 staging areas to store the equipment until they're able to get it to the station by way of trucking or helicopter lift. This is coming about because of the Fukashima Japan nuclear disaster, they were not prepared. Mr. Cormier provided the commission with draft copies of agreements they use with other airports. Fred informed Mr. Cormier that the commission will take the request under advisement. Fred asks that if the commissioners have questions or concerns, refer them to Dan and Dan can get in touch with Mr. Cormier for the answers.
- 3. Chris Hyldburg of Alpha One Flight Service in Plymouth addressed the commission and expressed interest in leasing space in the terminal building to provide flight instruction. Alpha One has been at Plymouth for about 27 years and feels that there is an opportunity here at Taunton for a satellite operation. Chris introduced members of his team that will be the ones spending a lot of time here. Fred stated that the commission is looking forward to having them here and we'll do anything we can to help him out.

Public Input

Steve Goldin asks if there has been a decision on options for runway 4/22 and where are we in making the decision for that and coming up with coordinates for areas needing tree clearing. Jim Miklas responded that there are 2 alternatives that will be presented to the commission at the next PAC meeting. Of the 2 alternatives, ASG will be proposing the recommendation of relocation of the 4 end up, and maintaining the existing threshold on the 22 end. With regard to the coordinates, we've been working with the FAA, we have the adjusted coordinates for the existing full length runway and we're working on getting them changed over to the FAA system. So once the ALP is updated and becomes the recommended alternative there should be no problem in terms of providing the runway end locations as well as the parameters of the approach surfaces. But first we want to make sure we get that data into the FAA system.

Steve Proffetty asks how much will the runway be shortened? Jim answered, by 900' on the 22 side, so the runway will be 1,000 feet.

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Jan: motions to adjourn at 7:30. Bob: seconds. All in favor, unanimous. So voted.

Next meeting March 25, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Leonard F. Rose SRE Building.

Individuals with disabilities, who require assistance or special arrangements to attend, please contact the Airport Manager at 508-821-2973. We request that you provide a 48 hour notice so that the proper arrangements may be made.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Daniel J. Raposa, Airport Manager

FROM:

Bob Mallard

LOCATION:

Taunton, MA

LOCATION:

Woburn, MA

SUBJECT:

Monthly Status Report - Misc. Projects

DATE:

February 25, 2015

This memo describes the current status of miscellaneous engineering and planning projects at the Taunton Municipal Airport as of the date indicated above.

AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE (AMPU) – FY2013 AIP PROJECT [REPLACES PHASE 2 LAND/EASEMENT PROJ]

- ASG has completed draft chapters for Inventory, Forecasting and Facility Requirements. Draft chapters are completed and posted onto airport website.
- Production of remaining three (3) chapters (Recommendations, ALP, and Implementation) is ongoing.
- Airport Layout Plan (ALP) production is ongoing
- PAC Meeting 3 was held February 11, 2015 at the Taunton City Hall. DRAFT recommended plan established.
- Public meeting time/location to be scheduled.

CONSTRUCT TAXIWAY B - FY2013 AIP PROJECT

- Taxiway construction and wetland mitigation is complete.
- Walsh has requested and received a stop work order due to lengthy manufacturing time for vehicle gate.
- Gate delivered to contractor. Installation likely Mar/Apr 2015, due to weather.
- Coordinated with MassDOT Aeronautics security consultant regarding interface of gate and cameras. Camera installation likely in Mar/Apr 2015.
- Continued with project management & contract administration.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- ASG assisted TAN on registering the airport in the SAM system.
- Attended / participated in Airport Commission meeting.
- Provided miscellaneous assistance to the Airport.